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Applicants:	Vargo et al.)	
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Serial No.:	09/873,801)	
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Filed:	June 4, 2001)	
)	Art Unit: 1733
For:	METHODS AND MATERIALS FOR)	
	REDUCING DAMAGE FROM)	
	ENVIRONMENTAL)	
	ELECTROMAGNETIC EFFECTS)	

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

This Amendment is being filed in response to the March 6, 2003, Office Action issued by the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office ("PTO") in connection with the above-identified application. A response to the March 6, 2003, Office Action was originally due June 6, 2003. A request for a three-month extension of time is being filed herewith. Therefore a response is now due September 6, 2003.

Please amend the above-identified application as follows:

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Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 3 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 13 of this paper.